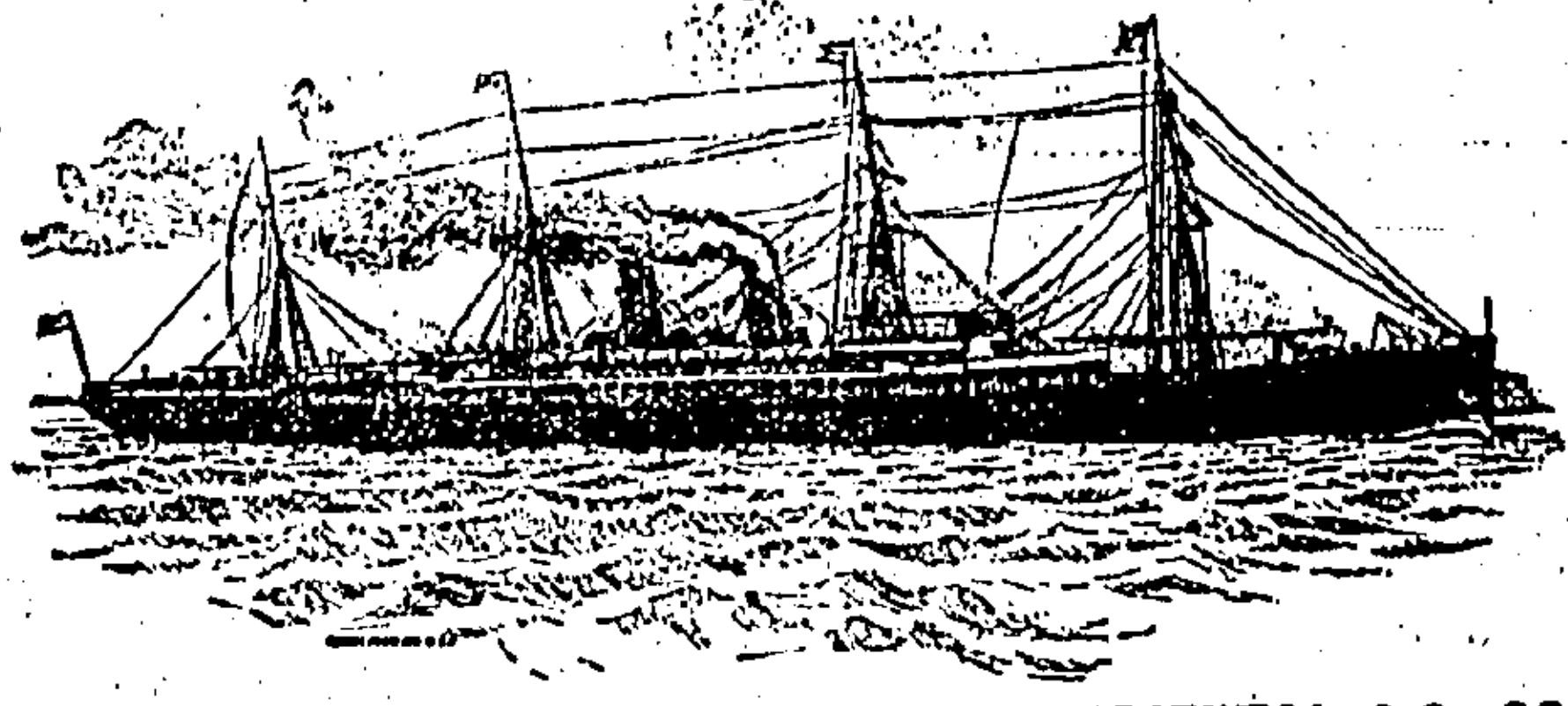






## Mails.

## U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,  
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,  
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"KOREA" .....	11,276 Gross Tons.	TUESDAY, 13th October, at Noon.
"GAELIC" .....	4,205 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th October, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU" .....	6,397 "	FRIDAY, 6th November, at Noon.
"CHINA" .....	5,000 "	SATURDAY, 14th November, at Noon.
"DOKIO" .....	4,784 "	TUESDAY, 24th November, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU" .....	6,397 "	WEDNESDAY, 2nd December, at Noon.
"SIBERIA" .....	11,284 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th December, at Noon.
"COPTIC" .....	4,352 "	FRIDAY, 18th December, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU" .....	6,397 "	

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "KOREA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 13th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (first-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu, or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903.

J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.  
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, via CANADA  
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)  
"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

R.M.S. "EMPRESS OF CHINA" .....	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
"ATHENIAN" .....	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 4th November.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 18th November.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 16th December.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1904.
"ATHENIAN" .....	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th January.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 10th February.
"TARTAR" .....	4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 30th March.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 20th April.
"ATHENIAN" .....	3,882 "	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" .....	6,000 "	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING ROOMS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and the appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Paddy's Street.

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. NORDDEUTSCHES LLOYD. OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPF-DIENST.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	
BRISGAVIA .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG	20th October	Freight.
Schulke .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG		
SAXONIA .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG	3rd Nov.	Freight.
Brehmer .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG		
MARBURG .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG	17th Nov.	Freight.
Stern .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG		
SUEVIA .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG	1st Dec.	Freight.
Borch .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG		

For further Particulars, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA  
HONGKONG OFFICE,  
No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1903.

## Shipping—Steamers.

## HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LTD.

## HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONGKONG" .....	2,363 tons	Captain H. D. Jones.
"PO-AN" .....	2,338 "	Captain G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"JAI-AN" .....	2,260 "	Captain A. J. P. H.
"HY-KOW" .....	3,073 "	Captain C. V. H.
"KINSHAN" .....	2,860 "	Captain J. J. L.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at about 7 A.M. and 10 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at about 6 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily (Sunday excepted) at about 8 A.M., 2 P.M. and 5.30 P.M.

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN" ..... 1,998 tons | Captain W. E. Clarke. |

Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at 2 P.M. Sunday

Do. from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M. excepted.

## CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN" ..... 2,19 tons | Captain T. Hamlin. |

This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

## CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "NANNING" ..... 563 tons | Captain R. D. Thomas. |

"SAINAM" ..... 588 " | " B. Branch. |

"FAK HING" ..... 618 " | " T. A. Webster. |

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at about 8 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,

18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD

Hongkong, 30th September, 1903.

## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS .....	JAVA PORTS via MACASSAR.	October 15	SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	October 18
TJILATJAP .....	Do.	November 9	Do.	November 12
TJIMAH .....	Do.	December 2	Do.	December 5

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have superior accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE AGENTS,  
HOTZ, SJACOB & CO.

Telephone No. 201.  
Hongkong, 7th October, 1903.

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## Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND  
COPYING IN ALL SIZES.

AMATEUR WORK GIVEN SPECIAL  
ATTENTION.

FULL LINE OF SUPPLIES  
ALWAYS IN STOCK.

C. W. CLARK,  
Between Queen's Road and Des Vaux Road,  
ORIENTAL  
COSTUMES AND  
FANCY DRAPERIES  
FURNISHED.  
WORK GUARANTEED TO BE  
THE BEST IN THE COLONY.

LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

964c PATRONAGE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.

## THE MUTUAL STORES,

GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

25, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong,  
and  
Shakee Street, Canton.

SOLE AGENTS FOR

"KIRIN" LAGER BEER.  
PARKMORE GLENLIVET WHISKY.

Largest Importers in the Colony of  
HEINZ FAMOUS PICKLES & PRESERVES.  
FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903.

[1553c]

## HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 66

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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## Intimations.

## THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

## No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside, 514 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft.  
Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to  
pump out, 4 hours.

## No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of  
entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8  
ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time  
to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work, and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Towboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of Dock, and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Work, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Works, No. 506; General, No. 376.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

[1573c]

## GO TO THE KOWLOON HOTEL,

FRANK F. JEWELL, KOWLOON. J. W. OSBORNE, Proprietor.

## THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL  
OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.  
Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.  
Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

THE MANAGER

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

[1339c]

## INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that  
the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for  
DR. AUER VON WELSBACH CO.,  
VIENNA.

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT  
GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES,  
The Price of which has been reduced to  
FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.,  
CONNAUGHT HOUSE

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,  
LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of  
the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (NOON), on  
THURSDAY, the 22nd October.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd  
October, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Agents,  
Canton Insurance Office,  
Limited.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1903. [1173c]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that AN EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
OF HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO.,  
LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S  
Offices, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the  
11th day of October, 1903, at NOON, when the  
SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS will be pro-  
posed, viz:—

1. That the Capital of the Company  
be increased from \$1,000,000 (divided  
into 100,000 shares of \$10 each) to  
\$1,500,000 (divided into 150,000 shares  
of \$10 each) by the creation of 50,000  
new shares of \$10 each to be offered and  
if accepted, to be allotted to the present  
Shareholders of the Company at par in  
the ratio and proportion of one new  
share for every two old shares in the  
Company held by the respective share-  
holders thereof, the amount payable on  
each of such new shares respectively to  
be paid at such time or times and in such  
manner as the Company by its General  
Managers may hereafter determine.

2. That Article No. 82 of the Articles  
of Association of the Company be can-  
celled and the following Article sub-  
stituted therefor:—

"The remuneration of the General  
Managers shall be \$4,000 per annum  
(which shall cover office rent but  
not salaries of Secretary and other  
employees) and a commission of 5  
per cent. of the net profits of the  
Company for each year that such  
profits amount to 7 per cent. of the  
Capital of the Company."

Should the above Resolutions be duly passed  
they will be submitted for confirmation to a  
SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS MEETING  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING  
which will be held at the Company's  
Offices, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the  
11th day of October, 1903, at NOON.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON  
General Managers

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF  
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A DIVIDEND of \$12 per Share for the  
year 1902, equivalent to 32% on the Paid-  
up Capital of \$100 per Share, has been declared.  
WARRANTS will be issued on the 9th  
October.

By Order of the Board,  
W. J. SAUNDERS,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1903. [1227c]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.  
渣華中國日本何蘭輪船公司

REGULAR STEAMSHIP LINE FROM  
JAVA TO CHINA AND JAPAN,  
AND BACK.

THE HEAD AGENCY of the above  
Company has been OPENED at No. 5,  
DUDELL STREET.

R. BISSCHOP, General Agent.  
Hongkong, 5th October, 1903. [1213c]

## MADAM FLINT & CO.

IMPORTERS OF FRENCH  
MILINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

MATERIAL ACCEPTED AND DESIGNED  
during the Summer Months.

PRICES MODERATE

CONNAUGHT HOUSE, Rooms 4 and 5

Hongkong, 1st October, 1903. [1202c]

## THE HONGKONG STUDIO.

HIGHER CLASS PHOTOGRAPHER,  
41 & 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

TOP FLOOR

PORTRAITS, GROUPS and ENLAR-  
GING and COPYING in all Sizes

LARGE SELECTION OF VIEWS ALWAYS  
ON HAND

PRICES MODERATE

Hongkong, 25th September, 1903. [1124c]



## NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Following are the statements of account annexed to the report printed in our issue of Saturday:

BALANCE SHEET—30th JUNE, 1903.

To Capital Account	Tsien	£	s.	d.
5,000 shares at £100 each	500,000	500,000	0	0
Reserve fund	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	0
Exchange fluctuation account	31,750.14	31,750	14	0
Working account 1903:				
Amount brought forward	11,000	11,000	0	0
From below	193,640.37	193,640	37	0
Deduct—				
Interim share dividend	45,985.02	45,985	02	0
	148,357.95	148,357	95	0

By Cash on Current & Deposit	Tsien	£	s.	d.
Accounts in Shanghai	200,000.00	200,000	00	0
Chinese Imperial Govt. Loan of 1886 (11. Issue)	16,500.00	16,500	00	0
Shanghai Municipal Loan	101,000.00	101,000	00	0
Shanghai Land Investment Co.'s 5% Debentures	6,750.00	6,750	00	0
Shanghai Land Investment Co.'s 6% Debentures	6,000.00	6,000	00	0
Shanghai Waterworks Co.'s 5% Debentures	5,000.00	5,000	00	0
Shanghai Waterworks Co.'s 6% Debentures	20,100.00	20,100	00	0
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf Co.'s 6% Debentures	10,350.00	10,350	00	0
Shanghai Mutual Telephone Co., Limited	400.00	400	00	0
Mortgages on property in Shanghai	113,000.00	113,000	00	0
London freehold premises	328,347.95	328,347	95	0
Cash at Bankers—£ 5,100 17 1				
British Govt. securities—£ 685 6 6				
Indian do. do. —18,994 6 11				
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Chinese Imperial Railway 5% Loan of 1899	4,790 0 0	4,790	00	0
Japanese Government 4% Loan of 1899	8,745 2 0	8,745	02	0
English Railway securities	5,253 16 1	5,253	16	1
Indian Railway securities	18,745 14 0	18,745	14	0
Canadian Pacific Railway 5% mort. debentures	5,593 25 0	5,593	25	0
London and Manchester	270 0 0	270	00	0
Premia outstanding, bills receivable, policy stamps and drafts in course of collection	7,103 19 4	7,103	19	4
	1,139,180 8 7	1,139,180	08	7
Less—due to sundries	1,824 3 7	1,824	03	7
By balance at branches	62,502.67	62,502	67	0
“furniture at head office and branches”	1,960.94	1,960	94	0
“sundry sundries”	45,145.60	45,145	60	0
	113,969.21	113,969	21	0
(Ex. 3/4 per Tsien)	2,104,141.59	2,104,141	59	0

By Cash on Current & Deposit

Accounts in Shanghai	Tsien	£	s.	d.
Chinese Imperial Govt. Loan of 1886 (11. Issue)	16,500.00	16,500	00	0
Shanghai Municipal Loan	101,000.00	101,000	00	0
Shanghai Land Investment Co.'s 5% Debentures	6,750.00	6,750	00	0
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Shanghai Waterworks Co.'s 5% Debentures	5,000.00	5,000	00	0
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Shanghai Municipal Loan	101,000.00	101,000	00	0
Shanghai Land Investment Co.'s 5% Debentures	6,750.00	6,750	00	0
Shanghai Land Investment Co.'s 6% Debentures	6,000.00	6,000	00	0
Shanghai Waterworks Co.'s 5% Debentures	5,000.00	5,000	00	0
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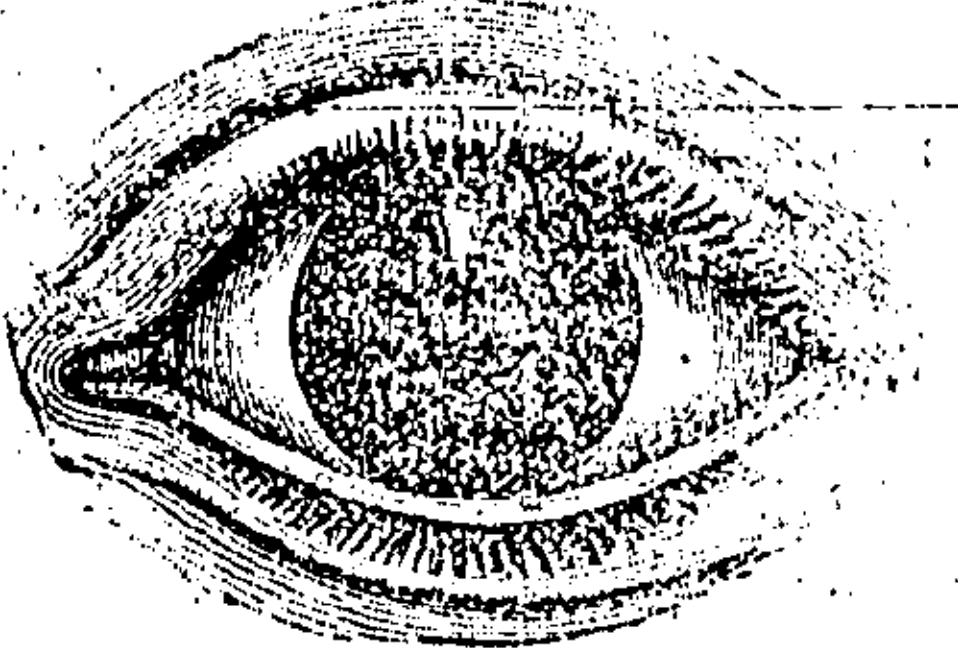
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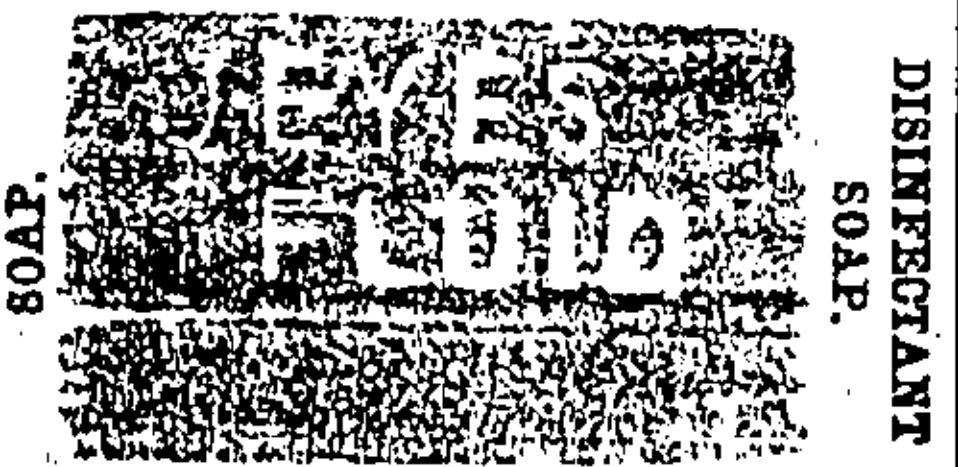
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GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

The news, contained in telegrams publish-  
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the British community as are disciples of  
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must be considered as the outcome of the  
cordial relationship which has resulted from  
the King's visit to the French capital and  
the subsequent journey of President Loubet  
to the British metropolis. Several months  
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significance of the Anglo-French rapproche-  
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at the possibility of an arbitration agreement;  
whereby all chances of conflict between the  
two nations would be permanently eliminat-  
ed. On several occasions during the past  
decade, the relations between the two great  
nations have been strained almost to a  
breaking point and disaster was only avoided  
thanks to the level-headed policy of  
statesmen in both countries. Happily all  
risk of similar crises in the future is no  
longer to be dreaded, now that the avowed  
aim of both nations is the maintenance of  
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interests; and the relations denoting perfect  
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extra guarantee towards the lasting success  
of the new policy. Credit is largely due of  
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and propaganda, have aided in bringing  
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nations, is His Majesty the King, and this  
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out the Empire. The conclusion of this  
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at the Hague Conference by forming an  
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In the cricket match on Saturday between the  
First XI and next XXIII the latter won by 95  
runs on the first innings.

DURING the week ended 10th inst. two cases  
of plague occurred. There were no other com-  
municable diseases notified.

MR. T. R. Wynne, General Manager of the  
C. E. and M. Co., has consented to stay  
until December, probably until March.

THE Russian newspaper, to be published in  
Shanghai is to be in English, and is to be  
edited by Mr. Nazarov, a Vladivostok student.

THE Express Dowieger was much pleased  
with the Indian circus and Mr. Chatre pre-  
sented her with an elephant and some embroi-  
deries.

THE highest bid for the U.S.S. *Monoway* was  
\$45,000 Mex. from Capt. W. Blanchard,  
Faku; the lowest \$9,000 gold from Messrs.  
Corn. & Co.

IN the Yokohama Chihō Saibansho, the Na-  
tional Bank of China has secured a judgment  
for \$19,820 and costs against its late com-  
ptroller, who has died before the judgment was  
given.

THE first vessel of the Java-China-Japan Lijn,  
the *Tjipanas* is expected to arrive here to-  
morrow from Java ports and Macassar, and  
will leave again on the 16th for Shanghai,  
Kobe and Yokohama.

THE British bark *Juteoplis*, 129 days from  
Hilo, arrived at Honolulu on 5th ult. in need  
of provisions. She was becalmed for two  
months in the Carolines. She carried a cargo  
of sugar and was bound for Delaware Break-  
water.

Framing, fancy and artistically done by Le-  
Munyon, 31, Des Vaux Road.—*Adv.*

HAVING no occupation and evidently being  
short of cash a couple of natives walked off  
with the school clock at Mongkok, thereby  
relieving the Crown of a respectable-looking  
article value \$4. They made the usual excuses  
before the Magistrate this morning and had a  
month's imprisonment for their trouble.

EARLY yesterday morning there was a distur-  
bance at 22 Shaukiwan Road, in consequence of  
robbers having got into the house and bound  
an old woman. The police were soon on the  
scene, and at the Magistracy this morning  
three men concerned in the burglary and  
assault were sent to prison for six months with  
hard labour.

AT the Police Court this morning a native was  
charged with stealing from a jeweller and silver-  
smith of 52 Cochrane Street, seven diamonds,  
value \$50. In connection with the robbery of  
diamonds and some broken gold, worth \$10,  
Mr. Sercombe Smith has already committed  
one man for trial and he adopted a similar  
course in relation to the second prisoner.

THE *Cublenews* of 9th inst. says that with  
the arrival of the *Rubi* another smuggling  
scheme has been exposed, although it will not  
come before the Customs authorities for a few  
days, for action. There are fifty cans of what  
is supposed to be tar, among the *Rubi's* cargo,  
consigned to a Chinese firm in this city.  
These cans, jointly, weigh a ton, and while  
their top and bottom layers are of tar they  
contain otherwise nothing but tobacco and opium.

MR. Arthur Ash, well-known resident of Tien-  
tsin for the last seventeen years, died in the  
Victoria Hospital there on the 28th ult., aged  
46. He came out originally to supervise the  
printing business belonging to the syndicate  
with which Viceroy Li, Mr. Detring, Messrs.  
Jardine, Matheson & Co., and Mr. Michie were  
connected, an essential feature of the venture  
being that remarkably able paper, the *Chinese  
Times*. His funeral on the 29th ult. was at-  
tended by almost all Tientsin.

Mail your films and Kodak orders to LeMun-  
yon, P. O. B. 368.—*Adv.*

THE death of Admiral Lado, following so soon  
on the departure for home of Admiral Mar-  
shall, comes as a blow not only to the French  
squadron in Far Eastern waters, but also to  
naval men generally and many on shore in the  
ports, where the Admiral was always a welcome  
guest. During the summer Admiral Lado, who  
was far from well, has been lying up in the  
flagship *Maintenant* at Kobe, selected as the  
coolest and most favourable port on the station.  
The vessel had, however, gone on to Yokohama  
with the setting of fresher weather, and it was  
there that the Admiral died, on Monday. Flags  
were half-masted on the men-of-war in harbour  
and also on the public buildings in the French  
Concession as soon as the news was received  
at Shanghai, says the *N. C. D. N.*

It is satisfactory to learn, says the *Strait  
Times*, that the immediate operation of certain  
provisions of the Coin Import and Export  
Ordinance—prohibiting the importation into  
the Colony of the British trade dollar and the  
Mexican dollar—is not likely to effect trade in  
any adverse way. The principal shipping  
agents in Singapore were prepared for the en-  
forcement of the Ordinance, which took effect  
yesterday, and the order is not at all likely to  
prove detrimental to their interests. It is con-  
siderable, as the representative of one important  
firm observed, that considerable inconvenience  
may be caused in a few isolated cases, but the  
difficulty of the moment will easily be over-  
come. For all the general disturbance that has  
been caused, the Ordinance, it seems, might  
have been put in force at any time.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer  
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

THE English Mail of the 12th September was  
delivered in London on the 10th inst.

THE *Tsitan* which arrived from Australia  
yesterday morning, brought 22 waters which  
are to be shipped to Shanghai.

Do your own developing without a dark room  
by using an Eastman developing machine.  
LeMunyon.—*Adv.*

FOR stealing five tins of cocoa and some  
Scrubb's ammonia from H.M.S. *Amphitrite* a  
boatwoman goes to goal for a month.

THE Korea, sailing to-morrow at noon, promises  
to have the largest first cabin list from Hong-  
kong, of any of the P. M. Liners, 175 passengers  
being booked.

It is said that Andrew Carnegie is negotiating  
for the purchase of the famous battlefield of  
Bannockburn, near Sterling, Scotland, in order  
to save it from falling into the hands of builders.

A JAPANESE fireman belonging to the steamer  
*Yasuni-Maru* has been sentenced to three  
months' imprisonment with hard labour and  
to be exhibited for three hours in the stocks  
for stabbing a Chinese woman in the face.  
The prisoner, who is the first Japanese to be  
placed in the stocks in the Colony was marched  
off to Ship Street, the scene of his crime, this  
afternoon where the latter part of the sentence  
was carried out. He was soon surrounded by  
a large crowd and several European and Indian  
police were on duty in the vicinity.

THE Yacht *Thresher* of Shanghai was caught  
in a severe storm when running out to the  
North Saddle on the 3rd inst., and some fears  
were entertained in that port concerning the  
safety of her crew; Messrs. C. Murray Adam-  
son, A. L. Anderson and E. T. Bryne. These  
gentlemen had a very rough time of it, but  
eventually succeeded; after being weather-  
bound for some hours in South Bay, in bring-  
ing back their little craft to port during the  
night of the 6th inst. The yacht sustained  
little or no damage and was admirably handled  
throughout.

PERFORMANCE BY THE VIC-  
TORIA VARIETY CLUB.

The Club gave the first concert of the season  
at St. Patrick's Hall, on Saturday evening,  
before a crowded audience, and it is to be  
regretted that the dimensions of the hall are so  
restricted, since a good number of the spectators  
were obliged to content themselves with stand-  
ing room; that they did so is a sure proof of  
the excellent performance that was given.  
Mr. G. Varney contributed a capital number  
to the comic side of the programme with *The  
Lost Luggage Man*, and Mr. W. T. Burgess  
provoked roars of laughter with his song *The  
Railway Station Sandwich*. Messrs. Tyler,  
Power, Farmer, Wood, Rogers, Whitlock,  
Shortman and Presley were all equally suc-  
cessful in their efforts to appeal to the hilarity  
or sentiment of the audience. "Cento," as was  
to be expected, scored another triumph, thanks  
to his really clever juggling feats, and the *revue*  
closed with the laughable and well-acted farce  
entitled *Between the Turns*, in which Messrs.  
Rogers and Burgess were particularly good.

NATIVE GUNBOAT CAPTURED  
BY PIRATES

NEAR CANTON.

A Canton dispatch, dated 5th inst., states  
that a native gunboat, with a crew of twenty  
men, while cruising in the East River came  
across a piratical craft, whereupon a fight  
immediately ensued. The Government boat  
first began the fight by pouring a volley of rifle  
shots into the piratical boat, which lost no time  
in returning the compliment. Within a quarter  
of an hour the commanding officer of the gun-  
boat and second in command were killed,  
together with five of the crew, while eight lay  
wounded. The rest of the crew immediately  
deserted the gunboat when they saw the  
pirates making for it and left to their mercy all  
the rifles, ammunition, and four small cannons  
on board. The military chest of a battalion  
near Sheklung, containing some Tls. 5,000,  
which the gunboat was carrying, was also  
captured by the pirates, who of course also  
took possession of the belongings of the gun-  
boat officers and crew.—*N. C. D. News.*

## CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CASE OF SERGEANT MAJOR J.  
POWER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."  
DEAR SIR:—I trust you will permit me  
through the medium of your paper to call the  
attention of your readers to the fact that I have  
started a public subscription for the wife and  
family of John Power, late Sergeant Major of  
the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.  
The details of his case are too fresh to admit  
of any repetition at this moment, and it will  
suffice the generous public to inform that his  
family are left in this Colony totally unprovided  
for.

I will gladly attend personally on any intend-  
ing subscriber, should they so wish, and ac-  
knowledge by letter the receipt of any sub-  
scription which should be sent to—  
Faithfully yours,  
CHARLES HARVEY,  
Q. M. S. Sgt. R. G. A.

G. A. Sergeant's Mess, Victoria Barracks,  
Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 10th October.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer  
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

H. B. THE GOVERNOR AND THE  
CHINESE COMMUNITY.

## A REPRESENTATIVE MEETING.

One of the first public gatherings connected  
with the approaching departure of His Excel-  
lency Sir Henry A. Blake on his relinquishing  
the government of the Colony took place at  
noon yesterday, at the Tung Wa Hospital.

At the invitation of some of the leading  
members of the Chinese community, a large  
and representative gathering of Chinese assem-  
bled in the large hall of the Tung Wa to consider  
what steps should be adopted by the Chinese  
to make their appreciation of Sir Henry's  
administration of Hongkong.

Among those present were the Hon. Dr. Ho  
Kai, C.M.G., Messrs. Fuong Wa Chun, Lau Chu  
Pak, Ho Fook, Leung Pui Chi, Tang Lang  
Kuk, S. W. Tso, Chau Siu Ki, Chan Lan Hin,  
Un Lai Chuen, Pun Chi Wan, Tong Lai Chuen,  
Chan Pan Yio, Ahmed, Rumiann, Chan Chok  
Ping and others. The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai was  
unanimously voted to the chair. The object  
of the meeting having been explained, it was  
unanimously resolved that—(1) His Excellency  
be approached with a view of his accepting a  
public farewell banquet in his honour; (2) a  
souvenir be presented to Lady Blake; and (3) a  
permanent memorial be established in the  
Colony to Sir Henry Blake, the memorial to  
assume such form as may hereafter be decided  
upon by the subscribers. It will be determined  
principally by the amount of money available  
for the purpose.

The meeting then proceeded to appoint a  
large and influential committee to carry out the  
resolutions adopted. The names of the prin-  
cipal members are—The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai  
(chairman), the Hon. Wei Yuk (vice-chairman),  
Mr. Ho Fook (honorary treasurer), with Messrs.  
Fuong Wa Chun and Lau Chu Pak as joint  
honorary secretaries.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

The President of the H.K.C.C. has received  
the following telegram, dated the 12th inst.,



## TELEGRAMS.

## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

## HOSTILITIES IMPENDING.

## ALEXIEFF'S REPLY WILL DECIDE ISSUE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, 12th October, 9.54 a.m.

A telegraphic despatch, received here from Kobe, and dated Sunday, 11th inst., reports that Baron Rosen, the Russian Minister to Japan, on his return from Port Arthur, whither he had been to confer with Viceroy Alexieff on the question of the evacuation of Manchuria, which Russia had been pledged to effect on the 8th inst., presented a memorandum to the Japanese Government, to the effect that Russia declared her impossibility of evacuating the country. That was a question as between China and Russia, and offered no pretext for interference on the part of Japan. Russia, however, is willing to give assurance to Japan that she will take no step in derogation of her prestige nor in infringement of her rights in territory she has already occupied. The Japanese Cabinet met and deliberated on the text of the memorandum, after which Baron Komura, the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs, waited on the Russian representative, Baron Rosen, and informed him that no negotiations could be conducted on the lines indicated in the message. Thereupon, Baron Rosen is understood to have referred to the Viceroy of Kwantung, in whom plenary powers are vested by the government at St. Petersburg to resolve all pending Far Eastern questions, wherein Russian interests are involved, for positive instructions. The message states that these are momentarily expected.

## The Straits Currency.

SIR FRANK SWETENHAM'S OPINION.

HOPEFUL AS TO FIXITY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, 12th October, 2.30 p.m.

Sir Frank Swettenham, in his annual address at the opening of the Straits Legislative Council, said: "Only at the commencement of the fixity of operations is it difficult to prophesy the exact course and length of time which must elapse before we arrive at the goal; but I am confident that we shall, without undue delay, attain that fixity which legitimate commerce requires."

(Renter's.)

## Russia and Japan.

LONDON, 9th October.

The Japanese Minister says that the *Daily Mail* story is not worthy of serious consideration.

## Great Britain and France.

It is reported that the main features of a General Arbitration treaty between Great Britain and France has been concluded on lines of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty between Great Britain and the United States, and is now only awaiting signature.

LATER.

The Arbitration treaty between Great Britain and France has been settled.

## The Balkan Trouble.

It is announced in Sofia that Turkey and Bulgaria have arrived at an understanding on the question of de-mobilisation, Bulgaria releasing 20,000 and Turkey 40,000 men.

LATER.

Diplomatic circles in Constantinople are convinced that war is now averted for the present year.

10th October.

A Turkish battalion crossed the Bulgarian frontier near Rustendil in broad daylight on October 8th and attacked a block house and plundered a village, but withdrew on the approach of the Bulgarian troops. Turks lost three killed and Bulgarians one.

LATER.

## France and Turkey.

The semi-official papers in Paris state that the Sultan instigated the recent Moroccan attacks on French convoys in Morocco.

France demands explanations and this seems in order to prevent further Turkish atrocities.

The French Cabinet has announced that it will persevere in its policy with reference to Morocco on the lines already set forth in the Chambers.

(N.C.D. News.)

## The Discord in Macedonia.

LONDON, 6th October.

It is officially announced that Russia and Austria have agreed to use more efficacious methods for the control and surveillance of the reforms in Macedonia.

It appears that with the arrival of the insurgent leader Zontcheff at Razlog, the Turks sustained a severe temporary check. Eighty-five Turks wounded there have arrived at Salonika, and more at Seres.

## The Unrest in Serbia.

LONDON, 6th October.

A new Serbian Cabinet has been formed, with General Gruich as Premier.

## Anarchism in the States.

LONDON, 6th October.

Another armed lunatic has been arrested at the White House, Washington, and overpowered after a desperate struggle.

Elaborate precautions are being taken to guard President Roosevelt at the memorial service to-day for the late Sir Michael Herbert, British Ambassador.

## Russian Aggression on Corea.

TOKIO, 6th October.

There are rumours that seem to be authentic that the Russians are erecting forts and mounting guns at Yong-Ampho, although the Korean Government persists in its refusal to grant them a lease.

## A Liberal Defection.

LONDON, 7th October.

A sensation has been caused in Liberal circles by Mr. Samuel Storey, ex-M.P., President of the Northern Liberal Federation, seceding and joining Mr. Chamberlain. Mr. Candlish, another prominent Durham Liberal, accompanies him.

## The Ryong-an Lease.

DISQUIETING REPORTS.

SEOUL, October 4th.

Mr. Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Seoul, forwarded an official note to the Government on the 28th ult., and demanded an explanation with regard to the trip of Cho Seik-kio, Forestry Inspector, to Ryong-an (Yong Am). The Japanese Minister subsequently advised the Government that it is reported that Cho accepted Yen 1,000 from the Russians to pay the Koreans for the expense of shifting graves, and paid only a part of the amount to the inhabitants, appropriating the rest. The Russians paid Yen 2,000 also to Cho by way of bribe, although the payment was ostensibly for ground purchased. These things, if true, would endanger the relations of Corea with other powers and it might therefore be advisable to dismiss the official. The Korean Government, replying, promised to investigate the matter. It is, however, believed that the Forestry Inspector was ordered to Ryong-an by His Majesty to superintend the removal of the remaining graves in the village. The Korean Emperor seems to have decided to lease Ryong-an to the Russians, and to ignore the repeated protests and warnings of the Japanese representative in Seoul. It may necessitate some decisive measure on Japan's part in order to protect the Korean Empire. The meeting of the Korean Cabinet, which was to have taken place the day before yesterday, has been indefinitely postponed and the Premier Ye Kon-mei has rejected the proposals sent in by the Foreign Minister with regard to the lease of Ryong-an and the opening of the same place to the trade of the world, instead of Wuju, pointing out that the matter will be settled on the return of Cho Seik-kio, Forestry Inspector, from Ryong-an.

A Wiju despatch to the following effect has been received to-day:—It is confirmed that Russians are building forts at Ryong-an (Yong Am Pho). It is reported that fourteen guns have been landed there, but the whereabouts of the guns is known. There are forty Russian officers and soldiers in uniform at Ryong-an. M. Ginsburg is also there and says he expects to stay for about a fortnight.

Cho Sai-kio, Korean Forestry Inspector, states that he will shortly return to Seoul as he does not see any use in staying at Ryong-an, watching the Russians, who are doing whatever they like.

A British steamer of 500 or 600 tons is at Ryong-an. She draws 6 feet of water. The vessel is intended to open a regular service between Chefoo and Antung. The Japanese merchants at Antung have now 50,000 pieces of timber and they are loading them in five sailing vessels. A Russian officer from Ryong-an came to the vessels on the 1st inst., and objected to the loading of logs, asserting that they all belonged to Russia. The Japanese crews objected and he left the vessels; but it is afraid he will return again and cause some further trouble.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

## The Pope.

BERLIN, 5th Oct.

The Pope has just published his first encyclical. The contents are purely religious and do not reflect on any other religion.

## Macedonian Affairs.

The Czar, and the Emperor Francis Joseph, have come to an understanding in regard to the control of the carrying out of the reforms and the reorganisation of Macedonia. The agreement has been put in writing and will be sent immediately to the other Powers. The governments of Sofia and Constantinople have been already informed of the conclusions arrived at and they have received them favourably.

LATER.

Austria and Russia have declared in identical notes to Turkey that they adhere to the reform programme and have jointly arranged for the

superintendence of the carrying out of the same in order to prevent further Turkish atrocities.

The victims of the excesses will have every assistance. The destroyed villages will be rebuilt to facilitate the return of the refugees, the churches and school-houses will also be rebuilt.

The two Powers are convinced that their joint efforts will have the effect of restoring constant peace to Macedonia.

## China and Russia.

PRINCE CHING RECEIVES MORE ADVICE.

PEKING, October 3rd.

A certain Minister to Peking has advised Prince Ching to consider well the steps to be taken at the present moment, pointing out the uneasiness in the Russian Government, such as the resignation of M. Witte, rumoured resignation of General Kuropatkin and the appointment of Viceroy Alexieff, which will inevitably affect the Russian policy in the Far East. Prince Ching warmly thanked the Minister and promptly laid the matter before Her Majesty the Dowager Empress.

## TIENTSIN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

September 29th.

The situation has suddenly warmed up again. Japan has taken Russia's latest demands, together with her insult in declining to negotiate with the Japanese Minister in St. Petersburg rather badly, and a very evident impatience at the easy toleration of the government in Tokyo is growing throughout the country. In Peking the Russians are evincing great satisfaction at Japan's obstruction as it is just what Russia desires, representing further delay in discussion and talking round the great evacuation question, which will give her time to finish her great defensive operations in Manchuria before the winter. She has already made great headway in the matter of fortifications in Port Arthur, Talienshan on the Sungari and Amur Rivers, etc., and I learn on very good authority that there are now from 30 to 50 forts either completed or in course of erection, which means that every height around Port Arthur is bristling with a battery. In addition to the 200,000 men which Odessa correspondence have reported as awaiting orders on the trans-Baikal frontier, there are some 90,000 troops around Port Arthur, and about 11,000 more along the line of communication between there and the Amur. The divisions in Southern Manchuria are roughly 30,000 infantry, 15,000 cavalry, and 18 batteries of artillery, but the accuracy of these figures is very difficult to prove, and there is great uncertainty as to the fighting value of many of these troops. Quite a large percentage of them may be regarded as mere animated uniforms. Further reinforcements are arriving for the Russian fleet, however, and within a week or two if not sooner the Russian squadron will include over 80 fighting vessels of various kinds. Japan does not, however, seem frightened at these formidable odds, and we may rest assured she is very well posted both as to the strength and position of her neighbour and possible opponent. Things seem to tremble in the balance again, but peace may still be preserved. The question only seems to be, what will be the price paid for it. However, the next ten days is likely to show whether Japan is going to make a stand or whether a fresh term of postponement is to be the dominating feature of Far Eastern politics. Trade and prospects are so unsatisfactory here that war has few terrors for us, as matters cannot be much worse and change of almost any kind might make them better.

Meanwhile we have a worse enemy than war at our very doors, the plague. To you in Hongkong who have the plague like the poor always with you, it is hard to convey the nervous dread amounting to horror which the name has for us, not for the sake of the disease itself, as for its possibilities of injuring trade. The association of the word plague with Taku and Tientsin might suffice to close the port for exports at any moment on account of the skins and wool. But happily so far the association has not taken place. The plague is at a little village called Peitang, north of Taku, and though the mortality there for nearly six weeks past has been as high as 15 per diem, I hear the last record was only 6 a day. The Commissioner of Customs and Health Officer have had a cordon drawn all round the place and every precaution possible is being taken. As a matter of fact there have been one or two isolated plague cases in the City, but so far the health bill is clean, and there is every hope of keeping it at bay.

The condition of affairs in Peking is limp in the extreme. The Chinese have completely given up all pretence of any struggle against Russia and have gone so far as to express willingness to do what Russia wishes, only being withheld by Japan's warning. They are busy themselves about such minor concerns as the new Board of Commerce over which there is already squabbling and jealousy, and nothing is decided what the Board will really accomplish or even attempt. Nothing is going on in Peking. Everything is blocked on one pretext or another, with a miserable backsliding inertia which is painful in the extreme to those who see how nearly to progressive movement China at times approaches.

Satisfactory news reaches me that the audience which have made the Legations a laughing stock are shortly to cease, public opinion being too generally and too strongly expressed on the subject. The ladies are said to be going up shortly for their last audience, and then it is hoped all the nonsense will end which has tended to weaken the influence of the Powers in Peking.

Yesterday witnessed the sudden death of an old Tientsin resident, who, one time was a notable and popular figure here, Arthur Ash, once one of our cleverest actors, and the pioneer broker here.

## THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

## THE ALLEGED ACTIVITY IN MANCHURIA AND SIBERIA.

We regret to say that so far as can be ascertained there is no slackening of the tension in the political situation, though negotiations of some sort appear to be in progress. Meanwhile Japan is undoubtedly preparing for emergencies. Orders have been given at the various naval dockyards for the mobilisation and commissioning of the reserve war vessels, and the greatest activity prevails. From Hiroshima we learn that preparations are being made at Ujina for the embarking of troops, the sheds there existing, and used for the purpose of sheltering the troops when preparing to embark in the Japan-China war, being increased in number.

It may be that all this is in the nature of precaution merely, and we sincerely hope that such is the case. But it must be remembered that Russia will not declare war. There is reason to believe that Japan is meditating a stroke that it is hoped will restore the balance of power due to the occupation of Manchuria by Russia, but which will not necessarily result in war. Japan is however, determined to be fully prepared.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

## THE FISCAL POLICY.

Australian exchanges to hand this morning contain lengthy telegrams from London, dated 17th ult., bearing on this subject. We learn that on the 9th ult., in a letter to Mr. Balfour, Mr. Chamberlain wrote that he had most carefully considered the situation as it affected the Government and the great question of fiscal reform. "We raised, not for the first time, a question of the greatest national and Imperial importance, in the hope that it would be impartially discussed by friends and opponents."—Mr. Chamberlain. Whether this view was reasonable or not, it was, said Mr. Chamberlain, certainly unshared by the Liberal leader, who scouted the idea that the system generally accepted in 1846 could possibly require any modification in 1903. An unscrupulous use was being made of the old cry of a dear loaf, and in the absence of full public discussion, a serious prejudice had been created in the minds of the people. As it seemed that an immediate practical policy of preference could not be pressed hopefully at present, Mr. Chamberlain advocated negotiating foreigners for a free exchange. In the absence of a concession to just claims and of greater reciprocity, the Government would be enabled to retaliate. "As I believe you share these views," added the ex-Secretary for the Colonies, "it seems to me that you would be absolutely justified in adopting them as the policy of your Government." Standing in a different position to his colleagues, Mr. Chamberlain thought that he could best promote the cause outside, hoping that in an independent position his arguments would meet with less prejudice. He therefore asked Mr. Balfour to agree to his resigning, to devote himself to explaining the Imperial union which experience had convinced him was essential to future welfare and prosperity. The newspapers predict that the resignations, especially that of Mr. Chamberlain, will startle London and the provinces. The *Morning Post* regards Mr. Chamberlain's resignation as the most original in historical memory, there being not even a political or party breach. His resignation, adds the journal, will win the hearts of numbers of his best countrymen, revealing a statesman daring to risk himself and his prospects on his convictions. The first edition of Mr. Balfour's pamphlet was sold out in two hours. A larger edition is now being printed. The Vienna correspondent of the *Standard* states that exporters admit that the adoption of Mr. Chamberlain's policy will ruin Austria's trade with Australasia.

## CURRENCY PLAN FOR THE SILVER NATIONS.

A London wire of the 7th ult. says that the members of the United States International Exchange Commission, in anticipation of their departure for New York on the 9th ult., dined with the members of the British commission at Carlton Hotel, on the 9th September. In a general discussion of the work of the commission the British commissioners expressed their congratulations of the commission's labours. Besides the members of the commission, United States Ambassador Choate, the Mexican and Chinese Ministers, former United States Senator Turner and J. W. Foster were present. Professor Jenks of the American commission was not present, as he had sailed for New York on September 5th in order to make arrangements to proceed to China to promote the commission's work.

The plan which has been approved by the Powers approached by the Commission is based on the Dutch plan, which has been maintained successfully during the last twenty-five years in Java, and resembles the new currency system recently inaugurated in the Philippine Islands. It will enable merchants in China to settle their outside purchases in gold to avoid the constant fluctuations in the market price of silver. The details of the plan will be determined by China herself, and if the undertaking shall be successfully accomplished those interested believe that it will result in a great benefit to the commerce of the world.

## COMMERCIAL.

## HEMP, SUGAR AND RICE.

In their weekly circular, dated Manila, 10th ult., Messrs. Warner, Barnes & Co. Ltd. write:—Hemp: Market has been well maintained during the interval, but just as we close, comes through from U.K. and U.S. rather quieter. The situation looks, if anything, a little easier, and we imagine dealers with free stocks to arrive, would be inclined to accept something less than last quoted prices. It was reported a few days ago that the province of Albay was to be freed from all restrictions, but even if this measure is adopted, we are not inclined to

predict any appreciable increase in receipts for some time to come. It seems very probable that we shall total fully 1,000,000 bales for the twelve months. We quote fair current with the sellers at \$20 per picul, equal at exchange 1/10 to £35. 13. 0 per ton f.o.b. Sugar: Manila—Nominal, nothing offering. Teal: No crop. Hilo: Beyond a sale of 1,250 tons of No. 3 at \$4.62 per picul we have heard of no other transactions since our last. Quotation for U. A. is unchanged at \$4.00 per picul nominal, equal @ exchange 1/10 to 8.0.0.0. per f.o.b. Rice: Market is extremely dull with very large stocks and practically no demand. Prices have consequently declined and 2nd Saigon can be bought to-day at \$6.75 per picul f.o.b. Rangoon stocks are also very large with no demand.

## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

IN LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/10 1/10  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/10 5/16  
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/10 11/16  
D'cents 4 months' sight 1/10 13/16  
IN BERLIN, (demand) ..... M.1.89 1/2  
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2 3/4  
Credits, 4 months' sight ..... 2 3/4  
IN NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand ..... 45 1/2  
Credits, 30 days' sight ..... 45 1/2  
IN BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer ..... 138 1/2  
On demand ..... 138 1/2  
IN SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer ..... 72  
Private 30 days' sight ..... nom.  
IN YOKOHAMA, T.T. .... 89 1/2  
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate ..... \$10.95  
Gold Leaf 100 mouch, per tael ..... 57.50  
Silver ..... 27 9/16

## OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—Per chest  
MALWA NEW ..... @ 900/920  
LAST YEAR ..... @ 960/1,000  
OLDEST ..... @ 1,050/1,080  
PATNA NEW ..... @ 1,105  
BAREILLY NEW ..... @ 1,102 1/2  
PERSIAN (PAPER) ..... @ 750/830

## To-day's Advertisements.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of October, 1903, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Kennedy Town in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Regulatory No.	LOCALITY.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	104	Below the Jubilee Road, Kennedy Town.	50 ft. x 30 ft. x 30 ft. x 30 ft.	1,500	18	450

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11238e

## XMAS GREETINGS IN ADVANCE.

I HAVE just unpacked a Parcel of CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS of Varied Designs and Descriptions to suit the Taste of Young and Old.

A suitable opportunity for those who want to send Greetings to their relatives and friends abroad.

Prices very moderate and as usual 10% Discount for Cash.

H. RUTTONJEE,  
No. 5, D'Aguiar Street,  
and  
36 and 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon.  
Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11246

## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and AUSTRALIAN PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

## THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN," Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, for the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric-light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11241e

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co's Steamship

## "BANCA"

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—From Persian Gulf, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co's Steamers.

From Malabar Coast, ex S.S. *Narva*.

Goods not cleared by the 18th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11241e

## To-day's Advertisements.

## HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

THE Company invite Tenders for the purchase of the SURPLUS COKE and TAR produced at their Works at West Point and Yau Ma Tei, during the Period of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st DECEMBER, 1903.

For Forms of Tender and further Particulars, apply to—

GEORGE CURRY,

Local Secretary,

Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11239e

## WANTED AT ONCE.

AN EXPERT TYPEWRITER.—Good Salary to an Efficient Worker.

Apply to—JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, 8, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11240e

## WANTED.

FOR the SHANGHAI HORSE BAZAAR CO., LD., A COMPETENT FOREIGN ASSISTANT to take charge of the Training and Breaking-in of Horses and Ponies. Quarters provided.

Apply by Letter only stating Qualifications, to—

LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; CO.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11241e

## CLEARANCE SALE.

## FOR ONE WEEK ONLY.

Commencing MONDAY, 12TH OCTOBER.

CAMPBELL, MOORE & Co., Hongkong Hotel Buildings, Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11241e

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HAI TAN," Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS, LARRAIK & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11245e

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA," Captain Förck, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office, Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11246e

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after the 14th instant, at 4 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED, Agents, Hongkong, 12th October, 1903. 11244e



## THE POPULAR SCOTCH IS BLACK &amp; WHITE



W. D. & H. O. WILLS & CO., LTD., Bristol.



## Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.  
AND  
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

## JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.  
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

## OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	On 16th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"POLYPHEMUS"	On 19th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 31st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	On 7th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 14th November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 21st November.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 30th November.

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, L'ON & A'WERP.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th October.
*LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 13th October.
MARSEILLES, L'ON & A'WERP.	"PAK LING"	On 27th October.
*MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 10th November.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"TANTALUS"	On 10th November.
MARSEILLES, L'ON & A'WERP.	"POLYPHEMUS"	On 24th November.
*LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 8th December.
MARSEILLES, L'ON & A'WERP.	"ACHILLES"	On 15th December.
*MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, L'ON & A'WERP.	"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.

S.S. "IDOMENEUS" for Liverpool and Genoa is due this evening.  
S.S. "AGAMEMNON" for Marseilles, London and Antwerp is due daylight to-morrow.  
\* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TAGOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"OANFA"	On 2nd November.
	"PELEUS"	On 2nd December.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
ILOILO	"WUOHANG"	13th October.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"TAIWAN"	14th "
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	21st "
CHEFOO and TIENSIN	"NANSHANG"	24th "
MANILA	"TAIYUAN"	26th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	26th "
KOBE	"TSINAN"	27th "

\* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these  
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unvalued table. A duly  
qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.  
‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian  
Ports.

WZ—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND  
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1903.

## Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers  
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric  
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried.—All the most up-to-  
date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 24th Oct., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903.

## PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND  
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR  
PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

## THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Oct. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Nov. 14, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Dec. 14, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and  
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate  
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

## OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR ANPING (DIRECT): "MAIDZURU MARU"	K. Akashi		WEDNESDAY, 14th Oct.
FOR TAMSUI: "DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves		WEDNESDAY, 14th Oct.
FOR FOCHOOW: "ANPING MARU"	J. Goto		FRIDAY, 16th Oct.
FOR TAMSUI (DIRECT): "DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata		FRIDAY, 16th Oct.

\* Via SWATOW and AMOY.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China  
and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is  
provided for first class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.  
All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the  
Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co's Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at  
Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.  
By the Co's steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze  
River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's  
steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at  
No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903.

## Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## HONGKONG-MANILA.

REDUCED SALOON PAS-  
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric  
Light. First Class Accommodation. Un-  
valued Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 8th July, 1903. [804e]

## STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw  
Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"  
1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-  
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,  
TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to  
Hongkong the following days leaving  
CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommoda-  
tion for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted  
throughout by Electricity.  
Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.  
Meals \$1 each.  
The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-  
kong Harbour Master's Office.

## SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.

No. 8, Queen's Road West.  
Hongkong, 30th May, 1903. [1322e]

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"  
Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week  
Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays,  
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about  
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.  
FARE:—(Week Days) 1st Class (including  
cabin and servant), \$5; Return Ticket, \$5.  
2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.  
On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class  
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return  
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on  
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,  
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with  
accommodations for two or more passengers.  
WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok  
Street.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY  
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach  
Macao.

## MING ON &amp; CO.

2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.  
Hongkong, 7th September, 1903. [1073e]

## FOR TSINGTAU (DIRECT).

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ARTEMISIA,"  
Captain Gronmeyer, will be despatched for the  
above Port TO-MORROW, the 13th instant,  
at 5 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.  
Hongkong, 8th October, 1903. [1222e]

## TOYO KISEN KAISHA

## MANILA LINE.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled.  
Unvalued Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
ROHILLA MARU	Ernest Bent	3,860	SATURDAY, 17th October, at 11 A.M.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	3,876	THURSDAY, 22nd October, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House  
Street.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903. [171e]

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA  
LINIE.STEAM FOR  
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO  
AND YOKOHAMA.

The Imperial German Mail Steamship

"PREUSSEN,"  
of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,  
Captain E. Prehn, due here with the outward  
German Mail about WEDNESDAY, A.M.,  
the 14th instant, will leave for the above Places  
about 12/24 hours after arrival.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903. [653e]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY.STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW  
WORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

## "NORDKYN,"

Captain A. Beer, will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 17th October.

To be followed by the Steamship

## "HERMISTON,"

Captain W. T. Bain, on or about WEDNES-  
DAY, the 18th November.For Freight, &c., apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1903. [1095e]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
TO NEW YORK.VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL  
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1903. About

"KURDISTAN" 24th Oct.

"RICHMOND CASTLE" 7th Nov.

"ORONO" 21st Nov.

"LOWTHER CASTLE" To follow.

For Freight and further information, apply  
toDODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1903. [1350e]

FOR CHEMULPO, DALNY AND PORT  
ARTHUR.

## THE Steamship

## "SULLBERG,"

Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant,  
at Noon.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [1192e]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

## "LOONGSANG,"

Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as  
above on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation  
for First Class Passengers, and is fitted through-  
out with Electric Light.For Freight or Passage apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903. [1235e]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVA-  
TION COMPANY.STEAM TO  
YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

## "NIPPON,"

Captain Klausberger, will leave for the above  
places on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents.Prinze's Buildings.  
Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [1234e]AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVA-  
TION COMPANY.STEAM FOR  
FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT).Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CAL-  
CUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ  
AND PORT SAID.(Taking Cargo at through Rates to the BRAZILS,  
to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA,  
LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

## "FRANZ FERDINAND,"

Captain Matcovich, will be despatched as above  
on WEDNESDAY, the 21st October.For Information as to Passage and Freight  
apply toSANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents.Prinze's Buildings.  
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [1108e]

## Shipping—Steamer.

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## 司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MAN-  
ZANILLO, MEXICO AND  
SAN FRANCISCO.

## THE Steamship

## "CHINGWO,"

Captain Parkinson, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th Novem-  
ber, at Noon.For Freight, apply at the Company's Office,  
No. 20, Des Vaux Road.J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [436e]

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON  
AND ANTWERP.

## THE Steamship

## "MONMOUTHSHIRE,"

Captain H. N. Vyvyan, having arrived from the  
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
notified that their Goods are being landed at  
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,  
Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees'  
risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 13th instant, will be sub-  
ject to rent.All Claims for damage must be sent in before  
the 21st instant, or they will not be recognised.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
delivered on the 13th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1903. [1223e]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co's Steamship

## "MALTA,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID,  
SUEZ, BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From London, &c., ex S.S. *Oceana*.From Australia, ex S.S. *Himalaya*.From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Palermo*.From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.  
S. N. Co's Steamers.Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
1 P.M., TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 15th instant, at  
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Consignee's  
and the Company's representative at an ap-  
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days  
of the steamer's arrival here after which date  
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWET,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1903. [14e]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

## CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

are hereby notified that their Goods are at  
their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or  
landed into our Godowns. Nos. 1 and 2, at  
Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery  
may be had either from Lighters or from our  
Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of  
Lading.Goods remaining unclaimed after the 16th  
instant will be subject to rent.All Claims must be sent in to me on or  
before the 19th instant or they will not be  
recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. STUART THOMSON,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1903. [1e]

## Intimations.

## MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER.

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## Intimation.

## THE CHINA



## THE SHARE MARKET.

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LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
<p>of \$1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half-            ending 30.6.1903 ..... \$635            \$1.90 3/4 for 1902 ..... \$28 1/2 b.            ..... \$10</p>	

<b>PURANCES.</b>	
cont.—\$32 per share for 1901 ...	\$492½ b.
\$1 for year ended 30.4.1902.....	\$62 sa.
of £1 for 1902.....	Tls. 235 s.
\$12 for 1901 .....	\$135
\$14 per share for 1901 .....	\$195 b.
<b>PURANCES.</b>	
per share for 1901 .....	\$320 sa.
share for 1901 .....	\$89 b.

half-year ending 30.6.1903 ...	\$32 b.
10/- per share for 1902.....	\$32
\$5 per share for 1900.....	\$18½
\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903...	\$29 b.
= .12% for year ending {	\$26
30.4.03 ..... {	\$16
erim of 6d. for 1902.....	\$1 b.

of 2 % for 1903 .....	Tls. 40 s.
of 4 % = Tls. 2.00 .....	Tls. 56 s.
of 3% = Tls. 1.75 .....	Tls. 50 s.
RIES.	
\$7 making \$12 for 1901 .....	\$97
share for 1897 .....	\$10

7% for year ending 30.3.02	115.60
ING.	
.....	51½
Frs. 30 making Fcs. 60 for 1902	\$600 a.
of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$8½ a.
of 1/6 per share 10.10.02	Tls. 6.50 aa.

6 6 for 1 year 30.6.03.....	\$204 s.
1 Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year 30.4.03 .....	Tls. 130
of \$2½ for 1903.....	\$88 sa.
1902 .....	\$37½

of Tls. 5 for 1903 .....	Tls. 217½ b.
AND BUILDINGS.	
cents per share for 1902 .....	59½ sa.
of \$6 for 1903 .....	\$153
er share for 1902 .....	\$35 sa.
of \$14 for 1903 .....	550½ b.
rst 1-year 1903 .....	\$120 2

for 1-year ending 31.12.1900 .....	\$58.00
1-year ending 30.6.03 .....	\$58
1-year ending 31.3.03 .....	\$28 1/2 sa.
1-year ending 31.3.03 .....	Tls. 15 sa.
1-year ending 31.3.03 .....	Tls. 25
Int. for 1902 .....	\$10 1/2 sa. & b.
of 6 % for 1903 .....	Tls. 105 1/2 sa.

MILLS.	
of 60 cents, making \$1 for } 1903 .....	\$14½ b.
period ended 31.10.97 .....	Tls. 30 b.
of 3 % on account of 1898 ...	Tls. 35 ..
div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898 ...	Tls. 35 sa.

period ended 31.12.00.....	Tls. 200
O. COMPANIES.	
year ending 30.6.1900 .....	\$250 b.
.....	\$15 b.
of Tls. 3 per share .....	Tls. 51 s.

ANNEUS.	
\$1.20 per share for 1902 .....	\$23 sa.
.....	\$97 s.
of 5 % for 1902 .....	\$141 b.
share for 1902 .....	\$8
s for year ending 30.4.1903 ..	\$12½
s for year ending 30.4.1903 ..	\$7
v. and 1 % bonus for 1901 .....	\$140 b.

1902 .....	\$145
rent=\$3.75 for 1902 .....	\$47
of \$4 for 1903 .....	\$250 s.
year ending 31.11.1902 .....	\$320 s.
s for year ending 31.7.1902.....	\$12 b.
rent=\$2½ for 1901.....	\$40
\$2½ for 1902 .....	\$40 s.

.....	\$51 s.
\$ } for years ending 31.5.03... {	\$0 sa.
	\$200 l.
.....	
of 6 % .....	\$151 b.
	\$5 b.
24 for half-year 1901.....	\$50
.....	\$15 h.

Year ended 30.6.1903.....	382 s.
Prerim Dividend of Tls. 7½ paid 1903.....	Tls. 27¼ ss.
Year .....	\$50

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-	17.50	2.50

-	17.50	2.50
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-	16.00	2.00
-	15.25	3.75

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